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French and North German Armies.

THE FRENCH ARMY. The following statement shows the strength of the French army when on a peace footing, and the immense increase it can attain in the event of war, by calling in the troops on leave,

in reserve, or otherwise exempted from service in garrison: Peace Footing. War Footing.

Men. Horses. Men. Horses.

Staff. 1,773 160 1,541 200
Infantry 252,652 324 515,937 450
Cavalry. 62,798 48,143 100,221 65,000 Artillery ... 39,882 16,646 66.132 49,838 Engineers ... 7,4%6 884 15,443 1,400 Gendarmes ... 24,535 14,769 25,663 15,006 Troops of the Administration ... 15,066 5,442 33,365 12,000

Total......404,192 86,368 758,607 143,888 The infantry, in the above statement of the army on a peace footing, comprises 124 regiments, the cavalry 66 regiments and one squadron, and the artillery 29 regiments.— The full military strength of France is very great, but indeterminate, owing to the military training which the entire adult male population of the country receives, and which renders them all liable to serve. The military forces consist of three divisions, namely, the "active army," the "army of reserve" and the "National Guard Mobile." The active army as enumerated amounts to 404,192, the army of reserve to 400,000, and the National Guard, when fully organized, to 538,723 men, making a total force of 1,342,915 soldiers.

THE FRENCH NAVY. The entire reorganization of the French navy was ordered by the Government in 1855, and has since been vigorously carried forward. Profiting by the proof of the superiority of iron-clad vessels afforded by our war, France has paid special attention to the improvement of her pavy in that respect. At the commencement of this year she had 62 iron-clads, 264 unarmed screw steamers, 62

paddle steamers, and 113 sailing vessels. The largest iron-elad in the French navy is the Rochambeau, formerly called the Dunderberg, and intended for the United States navy. It was sold three years ago by pro-Webb to the French Government, for the It was sold three years ago by Mr. sum of \$2,000,000. The most remarkable among the other iron-clads are the Magenta, Solferino, Couronne, Normandie, Invincible, and the cupola ship Taureau.

The French navy is commanded by 2.218 officers of different grades. The sailors, afloat and on shore, numbered 39,346 in 1869, which, together with ongineers, dock-yard laborers, navy surgeons and others connected with the force, bring the grand total of men engaged in the service of the Imperial fleet up to 74,403. On the war footing the strength of the navy can be raised to 170,000 men, this being the number entered on the lists of the maritime conscription. Exclusive of the above are the marines and the colonial troops, amounting to 28,623 men.

THE NORTH GERMAN CONFEDERATION ARMY. The Constitution of the North German Confederation declares that every North German is liable to service, and that no substitution is allowed. The strength of the Federal Army on the peace footing is settled upon the basis of 1 per cent. of the population, and the Prussian military legislation is applied to all the States of the Federation. The total strength of the Army of the North German Confederation amouts to 319.358 men on the peace footing, and to 977,262 men on the war footing. These troops are classed as follows :

Peace. War. Field troops, privates and noncommissioned officers. 287,481
Depots, do. 287,481
Garrison troops, do. 13,046
Officers, staff & m'tary schls. 18,531 511.826

Total.... 319,358 The above force comprises 118 regiments of infantry, 76 regiments of cavalry, 26 regiments of artillery, 13 battalions of engineers and 13 battalions of trains. As in the case of France, the military forces of the North German Confederation may be said to embrace M OST carefully selected from Foreign and Do-mestic designs. Large stock of Pierand Man-tel Glasses on hand. All kinds of Pictures Framed to Order with neatness and Dispatch. November 16, 1869—1y. ·the whole adult male population, exclusive of all disabled by age or infirmity. All men, from the age of 20 to that of 36 are expected to be ready for offensive warfare, and for defensive, with the country, till the age of 50.

In addition to the military forces above enumerated, treatics of Prussia with Bavaria, Wurtemberg and Baden provide a strict military alliance and a union of their armies in time of war. The Bavarian standing army numbers 50,000 men.

THE CONFEDERATION NAVY. Since the organization of the North German

Confederation upon its present basis, in 1866, the navy has received special attention, and has made rapid progress. At the end of June, 1869, the fleet consisted of 6 iron-clad screw steamers, carrying 70 guns; 9 frigates and corvettes, carrying 200 guns; 27 gunboats, carrying 71 guns; and 59 sailing vessels, carrying 247 guns; making a total of 101 vessels and 588 guns.

The serew steamer, Konig Wilhelm, built in England, was designed by the chief constructor of the British Navy, and is of 5.938 tons burden, and carries 23 rifled 96 pounders, made of hammered steel, and capable of being fired with 75 lb. charges as often as twice in

The Prussian and North German Navy is manned by 2,471 seamen and boys and officered by I Admiral, 1 Vice Admiral, 1 Rear Admiral, 27 Captains, 44 Commanders and 133 Lieutenants. There are besides, five companies of marines, four of infantry and three of artillery, numbering 1,200 men.

CURE FOR POISON OAK .- A correspondent gives this cure for the poison oak :-Simply bathe the parts poisoned with hot water, as hot as can be borne, keep increasing it till it can no longer he used without burn-Press a soft towl against the parts, to absorb the water, and avoid rubbing; then apply a "rather strong" solution of strong navy or plug tobacco on the poisoned places, and let it dry. The solution is the best when the water is hot. I have tried this and have been cured, or very nearly so, in two to four days at the most.

- Sin is bad in the eye, worse in the tongue, worse still in the heart, but worst of all in

A Steamboat Saved from Destruction by a Child.

Some two or three weeks since the propeller Fountain City had a narrow escape from being burned on her downward trip from Buffalo. The particulars of the case, which we believe have not been published, were furnished us by a gentleman of this city, to whom they were related by the heroine of the

It appears that a Mrs. Fannie Lamb, who resides a short distance from the city of Chicago, took passage for Buffalo on board of the Fountain City, taking her daughter Annie, a child twelve years of age, with her. The day after the departure of the boat the little girl, going into the kitchen, remarked that the stove smoked considerably, to which the cook replied that she was mistaken. The child had often heard her mother say that she dreaded going on a boat for fear of fire. With this in her mind, and taking another look at the place where the smoke seemed to come from, she discovered that it did not issue from the stove. Going on deck she discovered the woodwork around the smokestack on fire, and the flames just eating their way into the cabin. Without giving any alarm she went to the steward and told him the boat was on fire. He informed the mate, who called the deck hands aft and extinguished the fire without one of the passengers being aware that anything of the kind had occurred. There were twenty-two ladies sitting on the deck in the bow of the boat, among them the mother of Annie, while this was going on. After the work had been done Annie went to her mother and said, "don't be frightened, mother, the boat has been in fire but it is all over now."

The captain was so greatly pleased with the cool, calm and quiet manner in which the child performed her part, that he refunded the passage money of both, and offered to take them back to Chicago free of charge.

## Grasshoppers at Salt Lake City.

From the report of the Department of Agriculture we take the following account, written from Salt Lake City. Brigham Young must be in his glory :- .
We are surrounded, encompassed about, and

overwhelmed with grasshoppers. These insects have hatched out the past spring by myriads, on the benches around the city, and in most of the unfrequented streets, so that now in the outside lots they are doing a great amount of damage. In my lot, which is on the east part of the town they have destroyed all my young green vegetables, also my picplant, gooseberries, strawberry plants, potato vines, grape vines, old and young, and stripped nine-tenths of my trees of foliage, and now are cutting off the pea vines. As an instance of their voracity, on the 24th of April my place looked lovely in the morning, at noon the small insects commenced to travel in a body, and before sondown the place was as bare as if nothing had been planted, and they, staying around, kept it so; and now we have the appearance of winter in the lots so affected The insects have not traveled far into the city in any numbers, because the inhabitants of the outside lots are vigilant in their efforts | and beautiful, and you would have been conto destroy all that they can. All modes are straw, surrounding them and driving them in, did not assist to husband the means we have and then after dark burning them in the straw; In other words, if I save two thousand dollars putting a hoop in the mouth of a sack, sweeping them into sacks and crushing them; catching them in sheets and destroying them, &c. Though millions are killed daily, we are overrun with them, and people from the mountains say the hills are covered with small ones, yet to come down. It is a deplorable prospect but we "are going to fight it out on that line."

# Letter from General Lee.

Some weeks since, says the Columbus (Ga.) Enquirer, Harper's Weekly having published a false and malicious charge against Virginia's noble son-that he remained in General Scott's service as a member of his staff untill the last moment before joining the "lost cause" in order to obtain full knowledge of that officer's plans of future operations-Major Sidney Herbert, editor of the Troy Messenger and Advertiser, felt called upon, in view of his official knowledge of the facts of the case (he being at the commencement of the war a staff officer at Washington), to refute the false charge and defend the honor of General Lee. That he was right in his statements, and that his good intentions have been fully appreciated by General Lee, is clearly shown by the following very modest letter which Major Herbert has just received from the gallant old hero, and which he kinfly permits us to give to the public through the columns of the Enquirer :

LEXINGTON, VA., June 29, 1870. DEAR SIR :- I am much obliged to you for the kind sentiments expressed towards me in your reply from the Messenger and Advertiser, of which you are editor, to the erroneous assertion of Harper's Weekly respecting myself. Though it is difficult to learn the truth, the facts in the charge cited might, I think, have been easily ascertained, inasmuch as I never belonged to the military family of General Scott, or served near his person except when in Mexico, when I was attached to the general staff of the army in that country.

Thanking you for the refutation of the charge and for your kind wishes, I am, very respectfully, your obedient servant, "R. E LEE."

OUTBREAK AMONG CONVICTS ON THE CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO RAILROAD.-From a gentleman just from the neighborhood of the occurrence we learn that an outbreak occurred among the convicts at work under Messrs. Mason and Gooch, near Millboro', on Monday evening, which was attended with serious results. It appears that the party of convicts were

engaged at work on Monday afternoon, when suddenly one of them seized a gun in the hands of one of the guards and wrenched it from him. He then turned upon Louis Schwartz, another of the guards, and firing upon him killed him almost instantly. As Schwartz was falling he fired upon the convict and shot him through the legs. The rest of the convicts, who seemed to have been preparted for an outbreak, attacked the guards the fired upon them, wounding four. Two of them made their escape, and the rest were soon brought under subjection.

[Richmond Dispatch, July 15.

- A friend, the other day, called a thin

POETICAL.

TRUST YOUR MOTHER. Tenet your mother, little one:

Trust your mother, little one; in lile's morning just begun, You will find some grief, some fears, Which, perhaps, may cause you tears; But a mother's kiss may heal Many griefs that children feel; Trust your mother—seek to prove Grateful for her thoughtful love.

Trust your mother, noble youth.
Turn not from the paths of truth;
In temptation's evil hour,
Seek her, ere it gains new power.
She will never guide you wrong,
Faith in her will make you strong; Trust your mother-aim to prove Worthy of her fondest love.

Trust your mother, maiden fair; Trust your mother, maiden lair;
Love will guide your steps with care;
Let no cloud e'er come between—
Let no shadow e'er be seen,
Hiding from your mother's heart
What may prove a poisoned dart;
Trust your mother—seek to prove
Worthy of her sacred love.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

### A WIFE'S MISTAKE.

Bertram Chester entered his cosy parlor one day, a winning smile lingering around the corners of his moustached mouth, a glorious love-light beaming from his "deeply, darkly, beautifully blue eyes; but when his gaze rested upon the troubled, if not angry face of his wife, he paused, and his smile vanished, while a shade of uneasiness flitted over his manly face. He was one of those grand, noble and generous men we so often read about but seldom see. He approached her, printed a loving kiss upon her lips, seated himself upon the divan beside her, and said:

"Stella, why is your usually cheerful face wearing a shadow to-day?" She did not reply immediately, but tapped

the carpet with her foot. "Why do you not tell me, why you are sad! You know that I live only in the light of your smile, and it grieves me deeply to see you un-

happy. If aught has occurred to annoy you

tell me at once. I have a right to know "Well, since you are so anxious, I will tell you. I was down to call on Mrs. Mosby this morning, and she has had her house all refurnished with the most costly furniture in the city; and she has a new silver tea-set, too. We are just as able to have new furniture as they are, and I am going to have it. I can't make a party until we do, and I believe in enjoying life while we do live. You are spoken of as a prosperous man, and where's the use of prospering if we must be always practicing economy? Our carpets really begin to look soiled, and that horrid old piano

The shade deepened on his face as he listened, and his voice was low and tremulous

is a year behind the times."

"Stella, you are beginning to look upon the wrong side of Life's picture. What are you living for? to win the adulation of the gay world, or to contribute to my happiness? Had you visited a home where, in sorrow and rags, want was eating up the life blood of the inmates, you would have come home thanking God that your home was as pleasant as it is The carpets would then have looked bright tented and happy. I am a prosperous man, a year, and you throw away three thousand meet the demands of my creditors? We have lived as our means would allow, and haven't tried to imitate those who are wealthier than ourselves, and we have been very happy. If you permit the giant discontent to gain session of you, you can bid farewell to happiness. Times are hard now, and I can not afford to refurnish our house; but if we live economically a year or two, I can then afford new furniture. I don't like to see misfortune visit our friends, but if Louis Mosly does not retrench in his style of living, he will be a bankrupt in less than six months. His residence is mortgaged for half its value, and if his debts were all paid, he would not be worth

two thousand dollars." "Well I don't care; our property is not mortgaged, and I am going to have things like other folks. You are very clever to read me a homily on discontent, but I would like to know how much you throw away at cham-pagne parties and card playing? You have your enjoyment, and I am going to have mine!" she replied haughtily.

"Stella, desist! will you not listen to reason? euchre parties. You never spoke so to me before in your life. Surely, you will not destroy our domestic bliss in this vain and foolish manner, simply to make a parade in the fashionable world. If you carry your plans into execution may God help us! for I positively swear I can't spare the money out of my business. Can you not forego this desire to live beyond our means?" he pleaded. "I know we can afford it, and I won't be

happy until I get things fixed up as I want them. If you don't attend champagne parties, you spend just as much on cigars, wine, etc., she replied spitedly. "I have never tasted wine since we were

married. I love the taste of it; therefore I have the moral courage to resist the tempta- crying. But how long will this last? tion. Did I allow myself to indulge in dramdrinking, I would soon become a confirmed drunkard. Therefore beware, dear wife, lest you cause me to seek forgetfulness in the poisoned bowl," he replied, sorrowfully. "You are only trying to frighten me into

obedience. I am not afraid of your becoming a drunkard, and now, Berta do be sensible. I have set my heart on having new furniture, and I can't be happy until I get it," she replied firmly. "Stella, can't you believe me when I say I

can't afford it?" "O, hush! I'm tired to death of hearing

your doleful complaints. Your face is as long as my arm. I tell you we can and will have it!" she said, as she rose and left the room in anything but a lady-like manner. Bertram bowed his head, and a moan es-

caped his lips. "She is blind! Can she neverrealize what this vain determination will bring upon us? If she carries her plans into execution, happiness will vanish from our fireside, and ruin, financial and perhaps moral will be the result." Time passed on, and one day Bertram was

called away to attend to some urgent business. Stella had said nothing more concerning the new furniture since their discussion

weeks, and when he returned home new and costly furniture throughout the whole house greeted his vision. It was a death-blow to his hopes, and he sank into a chair moaning. "Stella, you have ruined me! Without this extra expense, I could have met the demands of my creditors; but now all will be swallowed up in the gulf of financial ruin .-I know exactly how my accounts stand, and I know what this extravagance will cost."

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He sat staring listlessly out of the window. a sort of apathy having fallen over him. "Berta dear, you are borrowing trouble .-You are looking at the dark side now; but come into the drawing room, and I will play your favorite songs on our new piano, and the charming music will cause your fears to van-

ish. Come," she said, taking his hand. "The dark side!" he said gloomily. "Yes, Stella, for there is no bright side for me to contemplate now, and you will soon feel the cost of this vain extravagance eating into your soul."

He arose and hurried from the house. He returned at nightfall careworn and haggard. A month later his worst fears were realized. Everything went to satisfy the demands of his creditors; for when it became known that he was so deeply insolvent, no one would aid him. He rushed wildly into the street, where he met a friend (?) who took his arm, saying, "Come, Chester, don't despair. Why you are white as a ghost! Come into a restaurant with me, and we will talk the matter

Almost ere he was aware of it, Bertram was seated in a gay saloon, raising the fatal cup to his lips. Two hours later he entered his late happy home in a beastly state of intoxi-His wife was seated at the piano and she glanced up at him as he staggered into the room with bloodshot eyes, his usually neat toilet sadly disarranged, his beautiful auburn hair disheveled, and his hat resting upon one side of his head.

"My God! Bertram, my husband, is this really you?" she cried piteously.

"Don't bother-I'm deuced sleepy," he replied, and immediately threw himself upon the floor and sank into a drunken sleep .-Stella sank upon her knees behind him, her white face stricken with horror as the terrible truth burst upon her. "O! my God! wby did he drink that fatal poison? My poor husband, my dear, noble husband! has financial ruin overtaken him, and I the cause of it? O. I would give half my life to undo this terrible work. At what a fearful cost I have gratified a cursed desire to shine in the first circles. What an awful change the poisoned bowl has made in him. O, Berta! Berta!" She wept and wrung her hands frantically, but tears availed her naught .-There he lay, her once proud and happy husband, a victim of the demon Intemperance. She placed a pillow beneath his head and bathed his parched face, and smoothed his disheveled hair back from his white forehead. He had never seemed so dear to her before, as when she saw him in the bloom of manhood drifting on toward ruin, and she caressed and kissed him passionately.

"Oh! my dear, wronged husband, would that I had died ere I brought this calamity upon you. O, God! save him from the curse of intemperance, the fiend that eats up the soul." Four long and weary hours she resorted to-digging holes, driving the insects | and if I continue to prosper, will one day be | sat beside him, trying to stifle the cries of into, and burying them in the mud; piling rich; but how long would I prosper if you anguish and remorse that surged up from her bleeding heart. At length Bertram awoke and gazed up into the white face. Hes eye usually so beautifully blue, wore a dull, stuby useless extravagance, how long could I | pid light, and when the memory of the events of the day dawned upon his mind, he said: "Stella, my wife, look at me! What was I a month ago, and what am I to-day? I will not reproach you, only you must reap as you have sown." He arose and hurried from the house. She tried to call him back, but sobs of anguish checked her utterance, and she fainted away. Quarter of an hour later a servant came in to light the gas, and found her lying on the floor, cold and white. Restoratives were applied and she soon revived,

> Three months passed away. In a miserable quarter of the city, in a cold dismal room, in which no ray of cheer or comfort shone, Stella Chester hovered over the dying embers of fire, watching, waiting, listening for the return of her husband. In the dreary weeks that had passed since the financial crisis came upon them, she had managed to keep soul and body together by sewing. In all those weeks Bertram had scarcely drawn a sober breath. The maelstrom of temptation seemed to be hurrying him to ruin. Being entangled in Satan's snare he had not the moral strength You know I do not attend champagne and to break away from the enthralling chains -At length the clock in a neighboring steeple struck the hour of midnight and as the last sound died away she detected the sound of his approaching footsteps. He opened the door and entered and sat down before the dying embers of the fire, and to warm his numb hands. He was not drunk, as he had been unable to procure liquor, and Stella moved her stool close up to him and laid her head upon his knee and wept. He looked at her serrowfully a few moments, then said; "Stella, I am not drunk; why do you weep?" He smoothed her hair kindly; the first caress he had bestowed upon her for three mouths.

"O! Berta, my poor, dear husband! it seems so good to see you sober, I can not keep from you would only stop drinking we could yet be

Happy! Stella? think what you are say-Is it possible you could be happy without a fine house and costly furniture? "(), please do not bring up the memory of

my folly. It was the one great mistaks of my life. I have been made to feel and see where in true happiness consists; not in the vain pomp of worldly possessions, or the parade f costly furniture, but in the possession of a cheerful, contented disposition, and a faithful, loving heart. I have had a terrible lessonone I will not forget while life lasts. If you would turn from that viper that is coiling its fatal folds around you, we could soon, by industry and economy, earn a little home, and just think how happy we could be. I have tested the friendship and charity of the fashionable world-I have weighed it in the balance and found it wanting. I see the path of duty as I never saw it before, and it looks cheerful and inviting. Can you, will you

she pleaded. "With God's help I will! The cursed demon has not gained complete power over me -has not fastened me inextricably in its loathsome embrace and I will turn from it as I young lady a spare girl. There are several of the matter, and he fondly hoped she had would from a vapor. My darling wife, mespare girls in most large unmarried families. abandoned the idea. He was gone three thinks I already see a pretty white cottage when she wanted news she manufactured it.

turn from the poisoned bowl ere it is too late?"

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Quarterly Advertisers. nestled away among the trees and climbing

roses, in some quiet little village. Hurrah! he shouted swinging his hat in the air. "There is hope for the fallen," said Stella as he drew her hand upon his bosom and

kissed her fondly "Berta, this is the happiest day of my life, and hereafter you will ever find me a faithful, loving wife, whose chief aim will be to make

you happy. I will live for God and you." "And you will never again see me under the influence of alchoholic stimulus, as I have found that it only drowns the voice of conscience to lure one on to the deepest, darkest pit of hell-it charms to destroy .-To-morrow we will leave this city-cheerfully leave it, with its ruinous temptations-and go to a new home. Cheer up, little wife, there is happiness in store for us. The darkest

lets of our hearts, to keep us ever in the path of rectitude." "He that conquereth self is greater than be who conquereth an empire," said Stella.

hours are all past, and we will ascend the hill

of Life with our lesson written upon the tab-

"Ha! ha! you want to make a hero of me already," he replied. "You have always been a true and noble hero! I think-I know I was to blame for the mis-step you have made, and may God

"Amen !" replied Bertram.

And did he keep his pledge? In a beautiful little village in Vermont, a village surrounded by green fields and charming groves, Bertram Chester and his wife are living in an easy, home-like cottage. Honeysuckles and roses mingle their perfumes as they cling to the pillars of the porch.

The cottage, with the ground appertaining is the home they have carned, and now they are enjoying the fruit of their labor. Saturday evening Stella sat on the cozy

orch waiting the coming of him who was all in all to her. At length she espies his noble form as he buoyantly approaches his cottage home. She threw on her hat and ran over the grassy lawn to meet him.

"My dear little wife, there is nothing beneath the blue dome of heaven that makes a man so cheerful and happy after a day's wearisome labor, as to gaze upon the happy smiling face of his wife. It causes one to forget the petty annoyances of life and bask in the sunshine of domestic bliss. The wealthy whose only desire is to create admiration and envy, do not know the meaning of the word happy. Why, there is ecstacy here in the very air! Every rustling of the leaves, every twittering of the birds, is music to me now. I wouldn't exchange places with a monarch and assume all his cares and responsibilities," said Ber-

tram, joyously. "You are a monarch, of which no nobler earth can boast, and you reign throughout my heart. But come, supper is waiting," said

his wife. They entered the cheerful sitting room, where a tempting repast was spread. The furniture was cheap, but neat and pretty, and Bertram gazed around the room, his old happy smile wreathing his mouth, and the lovelight illuminating his handsome blue eyes .--He declared that food never tasted so delicious or palatable before, and Stella smilingly replied : "The fruit of labor is always sweeter than the bread of idleness, and happy hearts make happy homes."

# The Late Judge Taney.

A correspondent of the Rockingham Register writing from Frederick City, relates the following interesting incident in the life of the late Chief Justice Taney :-

There is connected with Judge Tanev's private life, a very interesting chapter, showng a very powerful and beautiful manner, the strength and triumph of domestic affection and religious faith. He was a Catholic, but wooed and won the affections of Miss Key, (a sister to the author of "Star Spangled Banner,") and she being a Protestant, they agreed to disagree upon this one point of religious opinion believing and acknowldging to each other that each could attain the joys of the life to come in their separate churches and different modes of worship while in the church militant, and further agreeing that the sons should be educated and "brought up" in his faith and the daughters in hers, and at death each one might be buried among the people whose faith was like his or her own. And this was literally and faithfully carried out, he being buried in the Catholic Cemetery, and she in Mount Olivet where her celebrated and eloquent brother and his "people" rest. As the Chief-justice's children were all females the entire family, besides himself, were

A BEAUTIFUL REPLY .- A pious old man was one day walking to the sanetuary, with a New Testament in his hand, when a friend

Protestants.

who met him said :: "Good morning, Mr. Price." "Ah! good morning," replied he; "I am reading my Father's will as I walk along."

"Well, what has He left you?" said his "Why, he has bequeathed me a hundred fold more in this life; and in the world to

come life everlasting." It was a word in season; his Christian friend was in circumstances of affliction, but went home comforted.

FACTS .- Men are like bugles-the more brass they contain, the farther you can hear them. Women are like tulips-the more modest and retired they appear, the better you love them. We knew an old bachelor once-a cynical fellow, who used to say, that women were like watches-pretty enough to look at-sweet faces and delicate hands, but somewhat difficult to regulate when once started a going.

- Memory presides over the past; action over the present. The first lives in a rich temple hung with glorious trophies, and lined with tombs; the other has no shrine but duty, and it walks the earth like a spirit,

- The Chescapeake and Ohio Railroad Company has purchased from the State of Virginia the Blue Ridge tunnel, on that road, paying for it \$600,000 in State bonds of Vir-- Carbolic acid is said to be death to mos-

quitoes. Saturate a few rags with it and leave them in the room, and the mosquitoes will leave without stopping to sing a farewell. - An old lady being asked to subscribe to

a newspaper, declined, on the ground that